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Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of

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For: RUBBER COMPOSITION FOR TIRE TREAD AND PNEUMATIC TIRE USING
THE SAME

Enclosed are:

- A specification consisting of Thirty-nine (39) pages
- () sheet(s) formal drawings
- Applicant claims small entity status under 37 C.F.R. § 1.27
- Applicant does not claim priority
- Applicant claims the right of priority under the provisions of 35 U.S.C. § 119 and 37 C.F.R. § 1.55(a) based on Application No(s). 2002-352996 and 2002-352997 filed in JAPAN on December 4, 2002.
 - Certified copy(ies) is(are) attached hereto.
 - Certified copy(ies) will follow.
- Executed Declaration (Original Photocopy)

- An assignment of the invention
- Application Data Sheet in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.76
- Preliminary Amendment
- Information Disclosure Statement, PTO-1449 and reference(s)
- Other:
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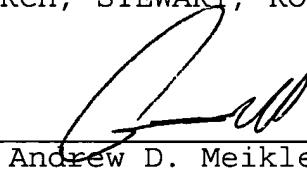
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